NEW YORK NETS

PROFESSIONAL BASKETBALL

1968-1969 INFORMATION GUIDE
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NEW YORK NETS, LONG ISLAND ARENA, VETERANS HIGHWAY
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DIRECTORY

General Manager & Coach	Max Zaslofsky
Executive Dir. of Oper.	Mel Basel
Poblicity Director	Alan Goldfarb
Radio & TV Directer	Spencer Ross
Promotion Manager	Barry Murtha
Box Office Manager	Earl Jansen
Trainer	Charles "Doc" Turner
Team Physician	Dr. Allan M. Levy
Office Secretery	Peggy MacConnell
Colors	Red, White, Blue
Arena	Long Island Arena (6,000)

ARTHUR J. BROWN, PRESIDENT, N. Y. NETS

It would he difficult to pinpoint Arthur J. Brown's greatest accomplishments, but you will find ho argument if you claimed that his contributions to sports, and to the people in them, rank right near the top of anything and everything that the owner of the American Basketball Assectation's New York Nets has achieved.

it Arthur Brown fait there wors shortcomings in the team's or the ABA's frrst season, he has gone out of his way to correct them. He has felt from Nie start that the American Basketball Assoctation, and particularly his New York entry in the leegue, were here to stay, and his confidence in them continues to grow. Brown has shown a history of supporting his confidence with an ability to corry through to success. There is no resson why he should change such a lrfelong habk at this stage.

COVER: Levern Tart (40), drives, while Walt Sirnon (4), boxes out Louie Dernpier of Kentucky.

THE A.B.A. TODAY

GEORGE MIKAN
Commissioner

THURLO McCRADY
Ass't Commissioner

LEE MEADE
Publicity Director

There is no way to accurately measure the strides taken by the American Basketball Association since its conception early in 1967.

Considering the many obstacles and problems it confronted at the outset, many skeptics were surprised that the new league was even organized not to mention its commencement of play in the fall of 1967. Disbelievers were additionally amazed that the ABA was still in business at season's end.

Now, with a new look and a priceless year of experience under its belt, "The Lively League" is into the second season of its history.

As anticipated, 1967-68 wasn't all peaches and cream not to mention financially profitable; mother will 1968-69 be for the most part. However, many mistakes made during the first year aren't being repeated the second. Franchise shifts and a few adjustments in club administrations have overcome weaknesses and remedied deficiencies.

The ABA's major accomplishment thus far has been the establishing of an image. There is no doubt that a new major league has made the scene, one that now has both a history and a future. The red, white and blue basketball has become a symbol of the league and the three point field goal a characteristic that has increased excitement.

Eleven teams are again playing a 429 game schedule, but they aren't exactly the same teams that competed last season. The Los Angeles Stars have replaced the Anaheim Amigos, the New Jersey Americans have moved to the other side of Manhattan to become the New York Nets, the Minnesota Muskies have gone South to Miami to become the Floridians and the Pipers, although still Pipers, are in Minneapolis-St. Paul where they are defending their championship under the name Minnesota Pipers.

The 11 teams, divided into divisions and listed in order of their 1967-68 finish, are:

WESTERN	EASTERN
New Orleans Buccaneers	Minnesota Pipers
Dallas Chaparrals	Miami Floridians
Denver Rockets	Indiana Pacers
Houston Mavericks	Kentucky Colonels
Los Angeles Stars	New York Nets
Oakland Oaks	

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Adding to the new look this season is the presence of three new coaches. Alex Hannum, former coach of the NBA's San Francisco Warriors and Philadelphia 76ers, is guiding the resurgent Oakland Oaks. Former Boston Celtic star Bill Sharman, the coach of the San Francisco Warriors the last two seasons, is at the Los Angeles Stars' helm. Jim Harding, former coach at Loyola of New Orleans, is the new Minnesota coach.

In addition, there are fresh new faces on the court, many of them exciting rookies who were in the collegiate limelight last season. Off season trades have strengthened several clubs.

Yes, much to the dismay of the skeptics and to the delight of its thousands of fans, the ABA is indeed off the ground and here to stay.

AMERICAN BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION
ALL-LEAGUE TEAM, 1968

MOE DANIELS HANKINS JONES WILLIAMS

FIRST TEAM

Player, Club	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	College
Connie Hawkins, Pittsburgh	F.	6-8	215	26	Iowa
Doug Moe, New Orleans	F.	6-5	200	28	North Carolina
Mel Daniels, Minnesota	C.	6-9	220	23	New Mexico
Larry Jones, Denver	G.	6-3	180	25	Toledo
Charlie Williams, Pittsburgh	G.	6-1	185	25	Seattle

SECOND TEAM

Player, Club	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	College
Roger Brown, Indiana	F.	6-5	207	25	Dayton
Cincy Powell, Dallas	F.	6-7	227	25	Portland
John Beasley, Dallas	C.	6-9	225	24	Texas A&M
Larry Brown, New Orleans	G.	5-9	180	27	North Carolina
Louie Dampier, Kentucky	G.	6-0	170	22	Kentucky

HONORABLE MENTION

FORWARDS—Art Heyman, Pittsburgh; Les Hunter, Minnesota; Wayne Hightower, Denver; Cliff Hagan, Dallas.

CENTERS—Austin Retkins, New Orleans; Bob Netolicky, Indiana.

GUARDS—Darel Carrier, Kentucky; Willie Somerset, Houston; Chico Vaughn, Pittsburgh; Levern Tart, New Jersey.

ALL-ROOKIE TEAM

FIRST TEAM

Player, Club	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	College
Tom Washington, Pittsburgh	F.	6-7	225	22	Cheyney State
Bob Netolicky, Indiana	F.	6-8	220	26	Drake
Mel Daniels, Minnesota	C.	6-9	280	23	New Mexico
Louie Dampier, Kentucky	G.	6-0	170	22	Kentucky
James James, New Orleans	G.	6-4	188	23	Grambling

SECOND TEAM

Player, Club	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	College
Randy Mahaffey, Kentucky	F.	6-7	215	22	Clemson
Ron Franz, Oakland	F.	6-7	207	22	Kansas
Byron Beck, Denver	C.	6-9	200	24	Denver
Bob Verga, Dallas	G.	6-1	180	23	Duke
Ron Perry, Minnesota	G.	6-3	190	24	Virginia Tech.

OUTSTANDING ROOKIE—Mel Daniels, Minnesota.

MAX ZASLOFSKY
Coach and General Manager

As a player, Max Zaslofsky was a cherter member of the "Basketball Association of America" forerunner of the "National Basketball Association." Now as general manager and coach of the Nats, his talents will go a long way in delivering the potential of the New York entry in the American Basketball Association. Zaslofsky hegen his playing days at Jefferson High School and St. John's University in Brooklyn, whers he starred for two seasons. He than maved on to the University of Chicago and began his ouistanding 10-yeer professional career with the Chicago Slags. He led the team in scoring for four campaigns. His pro career continued with the N. Y. Knicks (for whorn he also led in scoring) and the Fort Wayne Pistons of the NBA. He achieved the rare feat of piaying for both an eastern division and a western division club.

Zaslofsky's tremendous pro performances were reflected in his being named a league "All Ster" four times. When he ratired, as a player, he ranked as the third leading scorer in NBA history.

MEL BASEL
Executive Director of Operations

Mel Basel has been involved in sports for 28 years. He was originally a sports announcer and was a member of the New York Sports Broadcasters Association from 1945 to 1950.

Mel was the advance promotions man and television announcer for the original Roller Derby from 1950 to 1952. Boston Gerden crowds increased for all events during his eight years as Promotion and Group Sales Director for the professional Celtics and Bruins from 1952 to 1960. In 1960, Mel Basel was the group sales director for several ouistanding motion picture road shows including "Spartacus," "The Longest Day," "Lawrence of Arabia," "El Cid," and Cinerama.

He came to the New York Nets at the beginning of the 1968-69 season as Executive Director of Operations. He was born in the Bronx, N. Y., and is a graduate of New York University. Mel currently resides in Rego Park, N. Y. and is married to the former Lucy MacNeil. They have an eight year-old son, Neil.

ALAN GOLDFARB
Publicity Director

At 26 years old, Al Goldfarb is the youngest publicist in the American Basketball Association. Al started his journalistic career as sports editor of the daily newspaper at Southern Illinois University where he was graduated in 1965 with a B.S. degree in Journalism.

He was the news editor of the Wimker Review in Missouri in 1964 and then became the assistant editor of several sports magazines published by Countrywide Publications in New York City. From 1966-68 Al was a sportswriter for Newsday, the largest daily newspaper on Long Island. He then came to the New York Nets at the start of the 1968-69 season as publicity director.

A native Brooklynite where he attended Lafayette and Tilden high schools, Al is still living in Brooklyn. He is married to the former Ann April and they have no children as of yet.

SPENCER ROSS
Radio & TV Director

A native of Brooklyn, New York, Spencer Ross, the voice of the New York Nets now makes his home in Manhattan. Twenty-eight years of age...Spencer began his broadcasting career while a student at Florida University.

Spencer wound up at FSU on a basketball scholarship after starring for New Utrecht High School in Brooklyn. He began broadcasting Seminole games during his sophomore year.

Upon graduation he entered the army reserves. After that came a stint at the American Broadcasting Company in New York, where he was an associate director for the radio network.

Wanting to get back on the air, Spencer went to work in Nassau County at WHLI in Hempstead where he spent two and a half years.

When the American Basketball Association was formed, Spencer won the job as play by play announcer for the then New Jersey Americans. All the team games last year were broadcast over WJRZ in Hackensack, New Jersey.

Spencer also does freelance work at WINS in New York City . . . as well as continuing at WJRZ as a newsman and sportscaster. During the baseball season, he filled in for a few weeks on the New York Mets pre and post game shows.

This fall . . . he was hired nationally on United Press International's Football Analysis Program.

BARRY MURTHA
Promotion Manager

This young 30-year-old executive, was instrumental in the creation of the American Basketball Association as its co-founder and developer. Barry's dream became a reality February 2, 1967 when Commissioner George Mikan officially announced the formation of the ABA at a press conference at the Hotel Carlyle in New York City. Murtha, previously headed the endorsement program for the Professional Sports Management Co., representing many of the great names in the world of sports, including Joe DiMaggio, Fran Tarkenton, Roger Maris, Donny Anderson, Billy Casper, and Y. A. Tittle among others.

A graduate of St. Lawrence University where he played basketball for four years, Barry now resides in Flushing, N. Y.

TOM BOWENS

Forward 6-8 *Grambling*

A great leaper, Tom established himself as one of the ABA's finest rebounders last season at Denver, where he pulled down 374 retrieves. Tom is also one of the league's strongest forwards at 6-6, 220-pounds and he is at his best under the boards. New York fans have found that he is one of the league's most personable players.

1967-68 RECORD — DENVER

G	2FG	3FG	FT	REBS	PTS	AV
67	176	1	55	374	410	6.1

WILBURT FRAZIER

Center 6-9 Grambling

A small college All-American at Grambling, Wilbert has been a wall-traveled performer in the pros. He played with the San Fransisco Warriors in 1965, spent the 1966-67 season in the Eastern League, then played last year with the Houston Mavericks, where he averaged 13.7 ppg and pulled down 666 rebounds.

1967-1968 RECORD — HOUSTON

G	2FG	3FG	FT	REBS	PTS	AV
76	357	1	225	666	945	13.7

MANNY LEAKS

Forward 6-8 Niagara University

Leaks averaged 17 points per game and 16 rebounds per game last year in college while picking up all sorts of honors at Niagara, this being no easy matter since one of his teammates was the fabulous Calvin Murphy. Manny has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology and lists pingpong and billiards as his hobbies.

(No Previous Pro Record – Rookie)

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BOB LLOYD

Guard *6-1* *Rutgers*

An All-American guard of Rutgers, Bob was the NCAA foul-shooting champ in 1967 and set all-time major college records by making 60 consecutive free throws and compiling an .898 career percentage from the foul stripe. Bob averaged 8.1 ppg for the Nets last season and, not surprisingly, hit 85.4 percent of his free throws.

1967-1968 RECORD — N. J. AMERICANS

G	2FG	3FG	FT	REBS	PTS	AV
58	144	3	170	108	467	8.1

RANDY MAHAFFEY

Forward *6-7* *Clemson*

When the word "hustle" was coined, Randy Mahaffey wasn't even born. However, fans who see this young man in action must surely think he was the reason for the birth of the word. Randy has other things going for him than hustle, though. His college honors included All-Atlantic Coast and Academic All-American. Randy holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Pre-Med and he and his wife, Diane, live in Decatur, Georgia during the off season, where Randy has a wood paneling business.

1967-68 RECORD — KENTUCKY

G	2FG	3PG	FT	REBS	PTS	AV
75	373	0	281	684	1027	13.7

RON PERRY

Guard *6-3* *Virginia Tech*

Ron Perry was named to the second team All-Rookie ABA squad last season. He was the league's second best three-point field goal shooter, percentage-wise, finishing behind Chico Vaughn of the Pittsburgh Pipers. He scored 858 points for the Muskies for a 12.8 average. Perry was All-Southern conference as a sophomore before VPI became independent. As a senior he was named to the NCAA Mid-East Regional All-Tournament team and was VPI's Most Valuable Player. Perry is a bachelor.

1967-68 RECORD — MUSKIES

G	2FG	3FG	FT	REBS	PTS	AV
67	277	62	118	223	858	12.8

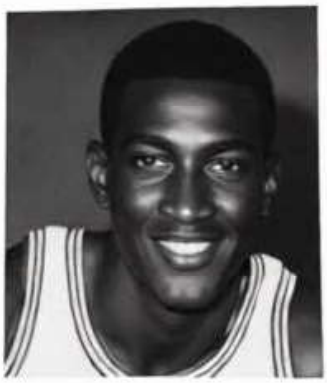
WALT SIMON

Forward 6-6 *Benedict*

Walt performed at both guard and forward last year, making second on the Nets in rebounds (321) and assists (212). He also averaged 13.3 points per game. Born in New York City, Walt starred at the High School of Commerce before attending Benedict College in Columbia, South Carolina, where he was an all-league choice.

1967-68 RECORD — N. J. AMERICANS

G	2PG	3PG	FT	RERS	PTS	AV
78	432	1	169	324	1036	13.3



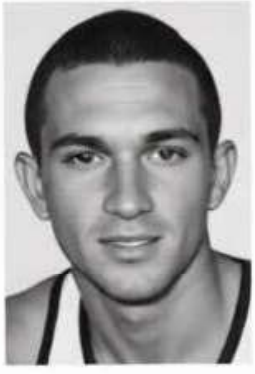
LEVERN TART

Guard 6-3 *Bradley*

Levern came to the Nets last season in a trade with the Oakland Oaks. He led the league in scoring for most of the season, winding up third with an average of 22.5 ppg, and leading the club in field goals (692), free throws (451), assists (249) and total points (1718). In 1964 he led Bradley to the NIT title and was tournament MVP.

1967-68 RECORD — OAKLAND-N. J. AMERICANS

G	2PG	3PG	FT	RERS	PTS	AV
73	682	1	451	394	1718	25.5



BOB VERGA

Guard 6-1 Duke

A former Duke All-American, Bob originally signed with Dallas and averaged over 23 ppg. last year, before going into the service. Traded to Denver in the off-season, he was acquired by the Nets in mid-November. Bob is a fine ballhandler and has an exceptionally good jump shot which he can fire from long range.

1967-68 RECORD — DALLAS

G	2PG	3PG	FT	RERS	PTS	AV
31	267	13	162	138	735	23.7

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HANK WHITNEY

Forward 6-7 *Iowe State*

Hank came to the Nets from the Eastern League midway through last season and averaged 16 ppg and picked off 477 rebounds in just 37 games. Exceptionally strong at 6-7, 235-pounds, he was a stand-ont at Iowa State.

1967-68 RECORD — N. J. AMERICANS

G	2FG	3FG	FT	REBS	PTS	AV
37	217	0	157	477	591	16.0

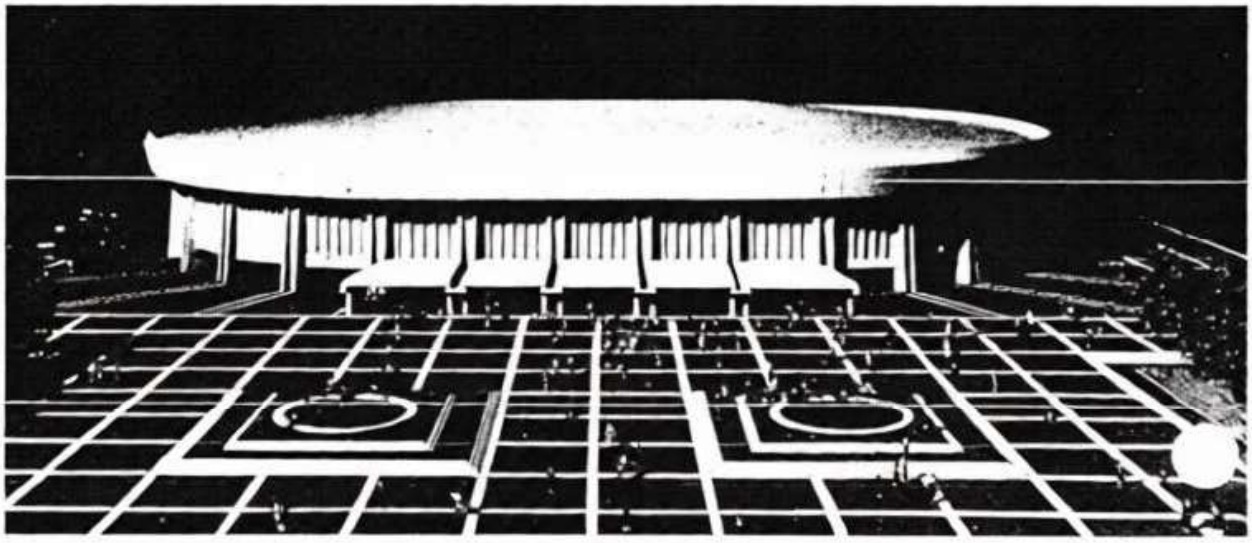
THOMAS HOOVER

Center 6-10 *Villanova*

Hoover played two years for the New York Knicks io the National Basketball Asseciation, appeareal in the 1966 playotls for the Los Angeles Lakers, played two seasons in the Eastern Basketball Leogue and joined Denver last season io the ARA. In 70 games for Denver he averaged 7 rebounds a game and 6.3 points per game.

1967-68 RECORD — DENVER

G	2FG	3FG	FT	REBS	PTS	AV
70	157	4	128	491	454	6.5



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Future Home of The
NEW YORK NETS

DALLAS CHAPARRALS

6116 N. Central Expresswey
Dalles, Texas 75206
Phone: (214) 263-7466

NICKNAME: Cheparrals (Readrunners)
COLORS: Red, White and Blue
ARENAS: Memorial Audiioriom (8,088)
Moody Collseum (8,500)

Oliff Hagen
Coach

ABA Trustee ..... J. Lindeay Embrey
Chairman of the Beard ..... David Brutun, Jr.
President ..... Robert S. Folsom
General Manager ..... Max Williams
Coach ..... Cliff Hagan
Publicity Director ..... Terry Stembridge
Promotions Director ..... Dick Cherles

1968-69 PLAYER ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Pre. Exp.	Colleges (Year)
24	Bessley, Cherles	G	6-5	190	23	1	SMO ('67)
44	Bessley, Iohn	F	6-9	225	24	1	Texas A&M ('68)
22	Bedell, Bob	F	6-7	205	24	1	Stanferd ('66)
6	Bennett, Willis	G	6-3	190	25	1	Winston Salen ('68)
22	Bonne, Ron	G	6-2	200	22	0	Idate ('68)
25	Bunce, Larry	C	7-0	205	23	1	Utah Stels ('67)
10	Combs, Glen	G	6-2	185	22	0	Virginia Teck ('68)
16	Hagen, Cliff	F	6-4	215	37	11	Kentucky ('53)
21	Lochmen. Reinhold	F	6-6	215	24	1	Kansas ('65)
35	Powell, Cincy	F	6-7	237	28	2	Portland ('65)
55	Smith, Iohn	C	7-0	235	24	0	S. Colorado (68)

DENVER ROCKETS

3201 Ringsby Court

Denver, Colerado 80216

Telephone: (303) 255-0707

NICKNAME: Rockets

COLORS: Orenge, Biack and White

ARENA: Auditorium Arena (6,841)

Robert E. Bass
Coach

ABA Trustes and Chairman of the Board ... J. W. (Bill) Ringsby

President ..... Donald W. Ringsby

General Manager ..... R. L. (Dick) Eicher

Coach ..... Robert E. Bass

Publicity Director ..... M. Thomas Murray

1968-69 *PLAYER ROSTER*

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Pro. Exp.	Colleas (Year)
40	Back, Byrun	C	6-9	280	25	1	Denver ('67)
14	Congdon, Jeff	G	6-1	180	24	1	BYU ('67)
22	Hammond, Julian	F	6-3	205	25	1	Tulsa ('68)
54	Hightower, Wayne	F	6-9	205	28	7	Kansss ('62)
22	Jones, Larry	G	6-3	180	26	4	Toledo ('64)
22	McGill, Bill	C	6-9	225	27	5	Utah ('62)
34	Piatkonski, Walt	F	6-8	235	23	0	Bowling Green ('68)
40	Rogers, Willie	G	6-3	190	23	0	Oklahoma ('69)
40	Wilborn, Ken	F	6-6	195	24	2	Central Ohio
42	Wright, Lonnie	G	6-2	205	24	1	Colorade State ('67)

HOUSTON MAVERICKS

601 Melrose Building

Heuston, Texss 77002

Telephone: (718) 222-6659

NICKNAME: Mevericks

COLORS: Gold, Black and White

ARENA: Sam Houston Colissum (8,925)

Jim Weaver
Coach

ABA Trustee ..... T. C. Morrow

General Manager and Coach ..... Jim Weaver

Publicity Directer ..... Hal Lundgren

1968-69 PLAYER ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Pro. Exp.	College (Year)
34	Becker, Ari	F	6-9	230	25	1	Arizona State ('68)
14	Carlos, Don	G	6-5	210	24	2	Otterbein ('66)
33	Clark, Dick	G	6-4	185	24	1	Eastern Kentucky
24	Jackson, Tony	G	6-4	200	28	3	St. John's ('60)
20	Johnson, Stewart	C	6-9	220	24	1	Murray State ('67)
35	Lentz, Leary	F	6-8	200	24	1	Houston ('67)
43	McGrift, Elton	C	6-9	225	28	1	Creighton ('65)
44	Rhine, Kendall	C	6-10	200	25	1	Rice ('65)
12	Somereel, Willie	G	5-10	185	25	3	Duquesne ('65)
32	Swagerty, Keith	F	6-7	285	23	1	Pacific ('67)

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INDIANA PACERS

Bob Leonard
Coach

INDIANA PACERS

638 E. 38 St.
Indianapolis, Ind. 46205
Telephone: (317) 923-3636
NICKNAME: Pacers
COLORS: Blue and Gold
ARENA: Indiana State Fairgrounds (9,111)

General Manager ..... Mike Storen
Business Manager ..... Bernie Lareaux
Coach ..... Bob Leonard
Promotion Manager ..... Chuck Finkbiner

1968-69 PLAYER ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Pro. Exp.	Colleges (Year)
38	Brown, Roger	G	6 9	207	28	1	Dayton ('62)
15	Chubin, Steve	G	6 2	200	24	2	Rhode Island ('66)
34	Daniels, Mel	C	6 9	220	23	1	New Mexico ('67)
40	Bee, Don	F	6 8	210	25	0	St. Mary's/ Plains ('65)
30	Fairchild, Jairn	F	6 8	206	25	2	BYU ('65)
20	Henper, Bobby	G	6 0	180	22	0	Dayton ('68)
14	Lenis, Frad	G	6 0	180	24	2	Oregon State ('66)
32	Miller, Jay	G	6 5	215	25	1	Notre Dame ('65)
27	Netolicky, Bob	F	6 9	225	23	1	Drake ('67)
23	Peeples, George	C	6 8	205	25	1	Iowa ('66)
44	Thompson, Jack	G	6 1	185	22	0	S. Carolina ('68)

KENTUCKY COLONELS

206 Convention Center
525 W. Walnut Street
Louisville, Kentucky 40202
Telephone: (502) 582-2083
and 582-1613

NICKNAME: Colonels
COLORS: Green, White and Black
ARENAS: Convention Center (5,072)
Kentucky Fair & Exposition Center (17,500)

Gene Rhodes
Coach

ABA Trustee ..... Joseph E. Gregory

General Manager ..... William A. Motsch

Coach ..... Gene Rhodes

Publicity Director ..... Hardin McLane

Promotions Manager ..... Charlie Mastin

1968-69 PLAYER ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Pro. Exp.	College (Year)
15	Anderson, Dan	C	6-10	230	25	1	Augsburg ('65)
24	Caldwell, Jim	C	6-10	240	24	3	Bemidji Tech ('66)
35	Carrier, Darel	G	6-3	185	28	7	Western Kentucky ('60)
40	Chapman, Wayne	G	6-6	190	23	0	Western Kentucky ('68)
40	Dampier, Louie	G	6-0	170	23	1	Kentucky ('67)
42	Darden, Oliver	F	6-7	220	24	1	Michigan ('68)
22	Ligon, Jim	F	6-7	215	24	2	Moody
55	Moore, Gene	F	6-9	230	22	0	Drake
45	Reecos, Bobby	G	6-4	205	28	1	Ky. Wesleyan ('62)

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BASKETBALL

LOS ANGELES STARS

L. A. Sports Arena
3939 So. Figuerea Street
Les Angeles, Califomia 90037
Telephone: (213) 749-8274
NICKNAME: Sters
COLORS: Scerlet, Powder Blue & White
ARENA: L. A. Sports Arene (15,323)

Bill Sharman
Coach

ABA Trustes ..... James J. Kirst
General Manager ..... Jim Hardy
Coach ..... Bill Sharman
Publicity Director ..... Hank Ives
Promotions Manager ..... Tom Drew

1968-69 *PLAYER ROSTER*

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Pro. Exp.	College (Year)
55	Davis, Warren	F	6-7	225	25	4	N. Carolina A&T ('64)
35	Grey, Dennis	F	6-7	215	21	0	Cal. Western ('68)
42	Ivory, Elvin	F	6-8	215	20	0	S.W. Louisiane ('68)
10	Jackson, Merv	C	6-3	175	21	0	Utah ('68)
20	Jarvis, Jim	G	6-1	175	25	1	Oregon State ('65)
50	Johnson, Ed	C	6-9	205	24	0	Tennesse State ('68)
22	Lacy, Edger	F	6-6	180	24	0	UCLA ('68)
24	Miller, Larry	G	6-4	210	22	0	North Carolina ('68)
32	Stone, Georgs	F	6-7	185	22	0	Marshall ('68)
21	Werren, Bob	G	6-5	190	21	0	Vanderbuilt ('68)

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MIAMI FLORIDIANS

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3000 Biscayne Bouleverd
Miami, Florida 33137
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NICKNAME: Floridiens
COLORS: Orange, Blue and White
ARENAS: Miami Beach Convention Center Annex (14,000)
Miami Beach Convention Center (6,500)

Jim Polierd
Coach

ABA Trustee and Cheirman of the Board ..... Larry P. Shields

President ..... Dr. Tom Cerney

Vice President in Cherge of Operstions ..... Dennis Murphy

General Manager and Coach ..... Jim Pollerd

Poblicity Director ..... Dick Kumble

1968-69 PLAYER ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	HL	WL	Age	Pro. Exp.	College (Year)
20	Freamen, Tion	G	6-3	195	24	1	Illincis ('65)
41	Hunter, Les	F	6-7	235	26	4	Loyols Chicege ('69)
24	Inhiger, Erv	G	6-4	190	23	1	Imliana ('67)
21	Ivetson, Willie	G	6-0	180	22	0	C. Michigan ('68)
42	Keller, Gary	C	6-9	220	24	1	Floride ('67)
22	McHertiey, Maurice	C	6-3	200	26	4	N. Comline A&T ('60)
44	Murrell, Willie	F	6-6	225	27	3	Kensss St. ('60)
33	Strile, Don	F	6-9	215	22	0	Oklenums ('69)
32	Sparks, Dan	F	6-8	200	23	0	Weber St. ('68)
43	Thoren, Ship	C	6-10	230	25	2	Illinois ('68)
34	Thornton, Dalles	G	6-4	190	22	0	Ky. Wesleyan ('68)

MINNESOTA PIPERS

901 Farmers & Mechanics Building
Minneapolis, Minn. 55402
Phone: (612) 229-9559

NICKNAME: Pipers

COLORS: Orange and Blue

ARENAS: Metropolitan Sports Center (9,300)
Duluth (6,919)

Jim Harding
Coach

President ..... William J. Erickson

Chairman of the Board ..... Gabe Rubin

General Manager ..... Vern Mikkelsen

Coach ..... James Francis Herding

Public Relations Director ..... Max Nichols

Director of Special Promotions ..... Gus Young

1968-69 PLAYER ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Pro. Exp.	Colleges (Year)
35	Card, Frank	F	6-7	195	24	2	S. Caroline St. ('65)
42	Hankins, Connie	C	6-8	215	25	6	Iowa ('60)
12	Heyman, Art	F	6-5	210	25	5	Duke ('63)
15	Kelly, Arvesta	G	6-3	190	23	1	Lincoln ('67)
20	Lewis, Mike	C	6-9	225	22	0	Duke ('69)
15	Sulor, George	C	6-8	230	25	2	La Salle ('65)
22	Vecendak, Steve	G	6-1	185	24	1	Duke ('66)
10	Venglin, Charles	G	6-2	190	26	6	S. Illinois ('62)
22	Washington, Tom	F	6-7	225	32	1	Cheney State ('67)
44	Williams, Charles	G	6-1	135	25	1	Seattle ('65)

NEW ORLEANS BUCCANEERS

201 So. Liberty Street

New Orleans, Louisiana 70112

Telephone: (504) 525-1302

NICKNAME: Buccaneers

COLORS: Navy Blue, White and Red

ARENA: Loyola University Fieldhouse (6,425)

Babe McCarthy
Coach

ABA Trustee ..... Charles G. Smither

Operations Manager ..... Maurice M. Stern

Coach ..... James H. (Babe) McCarthy

Publicity Director and Promotions Manager ..... Robert Fulton

1968-69 PLAYER ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Pro. Exp.	College (Year)
10	Dutler, Mike	G	6-2	170	22	0	Memphis State ('68)
34	Danis, Lee	C	6-3	200	23	0	N. Carolina C. ('68)
11	Frant, Ron	F	6-7	207	23	1	Kansas ('67)
25	Goran, Gereld	C	6-10	220	26	2	St. Mary's ('66)
15	Jones, James	G	6-4	188	23	1	Grambling ('67)
23	Janes, Steve	G	6-5	295	26	1	Oregon ('66)
32	Morcland, Jack	F	6-7	220	30	6	Louisiana Tech ('60)
12	Pradd, Mart	G	6-3	170	24	1	Dillerd ('67)
21	Robbins, Austin	C	6-8	200	24	2	Tennessee ('66)
14	Saulters, Glynn	G	6-2	175	23	0	NE Louisiana ('68)
31	Wilson, Jasper	C	6-8	200	24	2	Southern ('66)

OAKLAND OAKS

401 Fourteenth Street at Franklin
Oakland, California 94612
Telephone: (415) 834-3300

NICKNAME: Oaks
COLORS: Kelly Green and Gold
ARENAS: Oakland Coliseum Arena (12,964)
Oakland Auditorium (6,500)

Alex Hannum
Coach

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President ..... Pat Boone

Executive Vice President and Coach ..... Alex Hannum

General Manager ..... Bruce Hale

Publicity Direcior ..... Johnny Rodrigues

1968-69 PLAYER ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Pro. Exp.	College (Year)
15	Anestrong, Werren	G	6-2	200	22	0	Wichlia State ('60)
24	Barry, Rick	F	6-7½	215	24	2	Miami, Fla. ('66)
30	Bradds, Gary	F	6-8	215	28	4	Ohio Stale ('64)
11	Brown, Larry	G	5-9	180	28	1	North Carolina ('68)
32	Clawson, John	C	6-4	100	24	0	Mishigan ('68)
14	Critchfield, Ross	G	5-10	190	22	0	California ('68)
42	Eakins, Jimmy	C	6-11	215	22	0	BYU ('68)
33	Hatge, Ira	C	6-9	225	27	3	New Mexico ('68)
12	Logen, Hemy	C	6-0	180	22	0	Western Carolina ('68)
34	Moe, Doug	F	6-5	200	30	3	North Carolina ('61)
40	Peterson, Mel	G	6-4½	190	25	2	Wheston, Hl. ('60)

ADDENDUM

Add to the N.Y. Nets Roster the following thres players obtained in trades on January 31, 1969.

STEVE CHUBIN

Guard 6-2 Rhods Island

Stere wec born in New Yock City and pleyed his high school ball of Forest Hills High. Chube played his esliege basketheil at the Univerdity of Rhode Island and then weat to Milsn, Itely in 1966-67 where his team finished second to the Internationsl Gamee. Last year, Chube retomed to the Uniled States and led the then Andheim Amigos in scoting with an 18.2 avcrage and ranked thied in the leagoe in assists and 10th in free throw pecceniage. He holds the leagoe record of 22 sesists in one game. He is a toogh competitior and excites the ccond with his aggressive style of dribbling. He goes to the basket estremely hard and as a good medium-cinge jumper.

1967-68 RECORD – KENTUCRY

G	2FG	3FG	FT	REBS	PTS	AV
77	437	2	518	433	1398	18.2

LEARY LENTZ

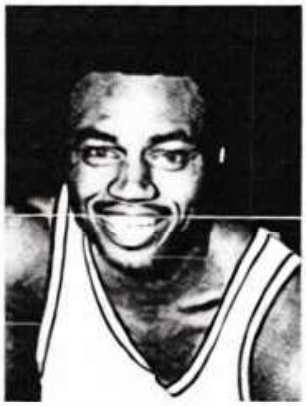
Forward 6-6 Houston

At the Univerdiy of Hooston, Leary played 4 years of outstanding ball, setting a rebounding recood at the school. He made honorable mention All-American. Obtained from Houston, he was one of the Mavericks leading rebounders and the most consistent outside shooter on the team. He had a 10.7 scoring avcrage his first yesr in the ABA.

1967-68 RECORD – HOUSTON

G	2FG	3FG	FT	REBS	PTS	AV
78	333	0	147	648	833	10.7

WILLIE SOMERSET



Guard 5-9 Duquesne

Willie sttended Duqucers Universlty and played 3 years of varsity ball. He wae the all-time scoring leader for his collogc and was nmed to the school's Hall of Fame in 1965. He was named All-American 2 yeers. Somerset had a 24.7 points per gears svemge during his collegs carees. Willie is 26 years old and married. Obtained from Houston he wss the Mavericks' werk plug and one of the team's leading worers and re-bounders, sporting a 18.5 scoring aomage for the 1967-68 ABA sesson.

1967-68 RECORD

G	2FG	3FG	FT	REBS	PTS	AV
69	462	33	368	320	1371	19.8

ADDENDUM (Cont'd.)

On January 31, 1969 the following Nets were traded

Guard, Levern Tart Traded to Houston
Guard, Boh Varga Traded to Houston
Forward, Hank Whitney Traded to Houston
Guard, Ron Porry Traded to Indiana

Add above four players to respective Rosters.

Delete Steve Chubin, Indiana Roster
Delete Leary Lentz, Houston Roster
Delete Willie Somerset, Houston Roster

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New Minnesota Coach Verl "Gus" Young

Following New York Nets Roster replaces the one on inside back cover.

1968-69 NEW YORK NETS ROSTER

NO.	PLAYER	POS.	HT.	WT.	COLLEGE
32	TOM BOWENS	F	6-8	220	Grambling
9	MANNY LEAKS	F	6-8	235	Niagra
20	RANDY MAHAFFEY	F	6-7	210	Clemson
4	WALT SIMON	F	6-6	200	Benedict (S.C.)
30	WILBURT FRAZIER	C	6-9	235	Gambling
10	TOM HODVER	C	6-10	240	Villanova
3	BOBBY LLOYD	G	6-1	185	Rutgers
22	STEVE CHUBIN	G	6-2	200	Rhode Island
27	LEARY LENTZ	F	6-6	205	Houston
33	WILLIE SOMERSET	G	5-9	195	Duquesne

1968-69 NEW YORK NETS ROSTER

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20	RANDY MAHAFFEY	F	6-7	210	Clemson
4	WALT SIMON	F	6-6	200	Benedict (S. C.)
11	HANK WHITNEY	F	6-7	235	Iowa State
30	WILBURT FRAZIER	C	6-4	235	Grambling
10	TOM HOOVER	C	6-10	240	Villanova
3	BOBBY LLOYD	G	6-1	185	Rutgers
22	RON FERRY	G	6-3	195	Virginia Tech
40	LEVERN TART	G	6-3	195	Bradley
23	BOB VERGA	G	6-1	190	Duke

NEW YORK NETS • 1968-8 SCHEDULE

● HOME GAMES

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OCTOBER

★	Fri.	25	Kentucky	4:00 PM	● Tues. 29	Denver	6:00 PM
●	Sat.	26	Miami	6:00 PM			

NOVEMBER

●	Fri.	1	Miami	8:00 PM	● Sun. 17	Indiana	7:00 PM
	Sat.	2	Minnesota		Thurs 21	Dallas	
●	Sun.	3	Kentucky	7:00 PM	Sat. 25	Minnesota	
	Sat.	9	Kentucky		● Sun. 29	Kentucky	7:00 PM
	Sun.	10	Minnesota		● Wed. 27	Minnesota	8:00 PM
●	Thurs.	16	Los Angeles	8:00 PM	● Thurs. 28	Dallas	8:00 PM

DECEMBER

	Tues.	3	Denver		Wed. 18	New Orleans	
	Wed.	4	Los Angeles		Thurs. 19	Miami	
	Thurs.	5	Oakland		● Sun. 22	Indiana	7:00 PM
	Fri.	6	Los Angeles		● Wed. 25	Denver	8:00 PM
●	Tues.	10	Indiana	8:00 PM	● Fri. 26	Oakland	9:00 PM
●	Fri.	13	Houston	8:00 PM	● Sun. 28	Kentucky	7:00 PM
	Sat.	14	Miami		Tues. 31	Indiana	
	Sun.	15	Houston				

JANUARY

●	Sun.	5	New Orleans	2:00 PM	● Sun. 19	Oakland	2:00 PM
●	Tues.	7	Minnesota	8:00 PM	Thurs. 23	Minnesota	
●	Fri.	10	New Orleans	8:00 PM	Wed. 29	Denver	
	Sat.	11	Miami		Fri. 29	Dallas	
	Mon.	13	New Orleans		● Sat. 25	Minnesota	8:00 PM
	Wed.	15	Kentucky		Wed. 29	Dallas	
	Thurs	16	Indiana		Thurs. 30	Denver	
●	Fri.	17	Houston	8:00 PM	● Fri. 31	Houston	8:00 PM

FEBRUARY

●	Sun.	2	Los Angeles	2:00 PM	● Sun. 16	Indiana	2:00 PM
	Mon.	3	Miami		● Thurs 29	Minnesota	8:00 PM
	Wed.	5	Miami		Sat. 28	New Orleans	
	Sat.	8	Denver	8:00 PM	Sun. 23	Houston	
	Sun.	9	Kentucky		● Tues. 25	Oakland	8:00 PM
●	Tues.	11	Indiana	8:00 PM	● Fri. 25	Miami	8:00 PM
●	Fri.	14	Los Angeles	8:00 PM			

MARCH

●	Sun.	2	Kentucky	2:00 PM	● Fri. 14	Dallas	8:00 PM
●	Tues.	4	Dallas	8:00 PM	● Sun. 16	Miami	2:00 PM
	Wed.	5	Kentucky		Tues. 18	Indiana	
	Fri.	7	Indiana		● Fri. 23	New Orleans	8:00 PM
	Sat.	8	Los Angeles		● Sun. 23	Miami	2:00 PM
	Sun.	9	Oakland		Tues. 25	Minnesota	
●	Tues.	11	Indiana	8:00 PM	● Thurs 27	Minnesota	8:00 PM
	Wed.	12	Kentucky		Sun. 30	Miami	
	Thurs.	13	Indiana		Mon. 31	Houston	

APRIL

Tues.	1	Oakland	

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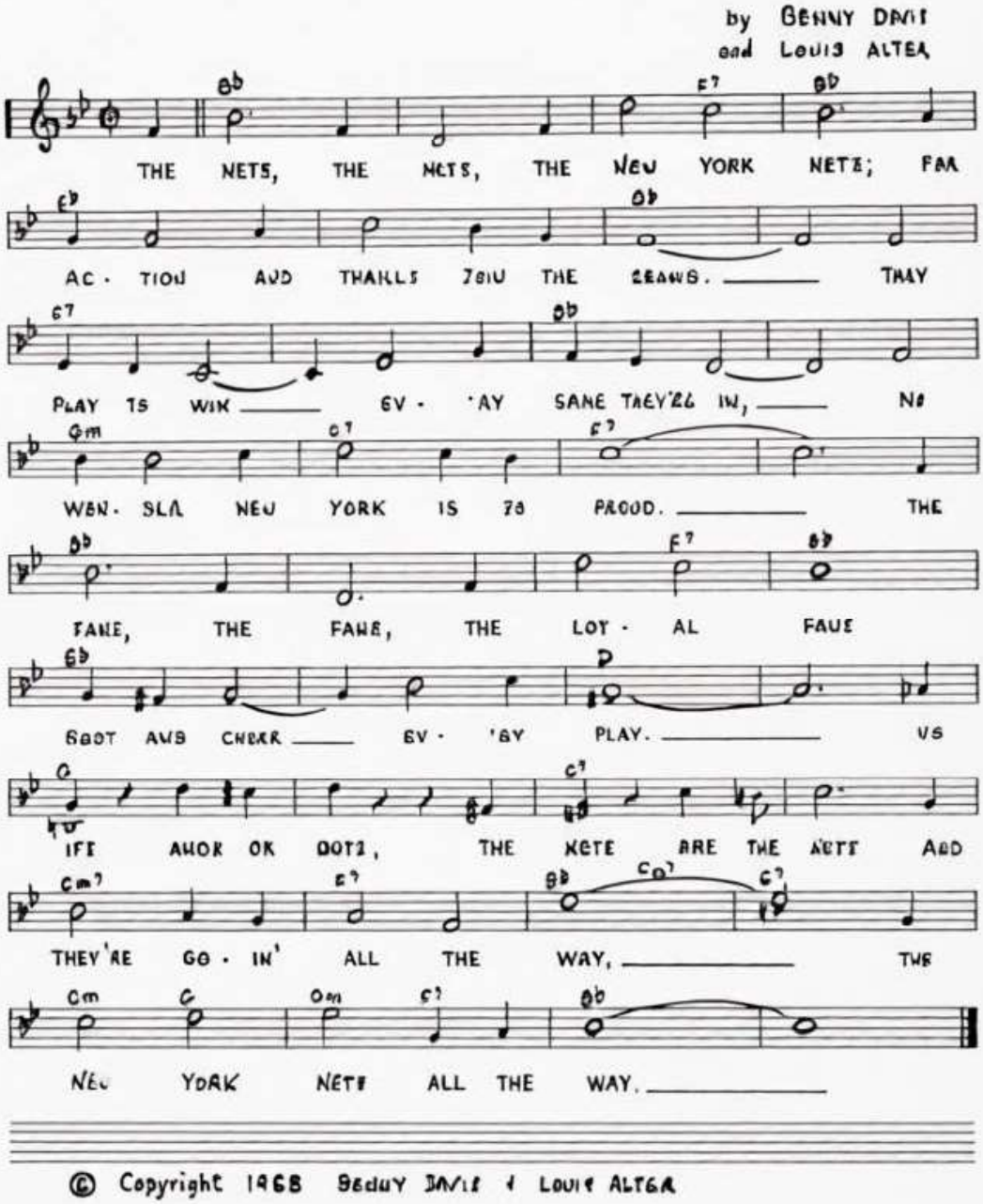
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